

Stuart, FL – Congressman Tom Rooney (R-Fla.) today announced a \$1 million federal grant for Witham Field in Stuart for construction projects to enhance the airport's infrastructure and prevent storm damage.

"I'm pleased that the hardworking taxpayers of Martin County are seeing a return on their federal tax dollars with this competitive grant," Rooney said. "This \$1 million in federal funding will provide critical infrastructure improvements to the airport that will help prevent the sort of storm damage that Tropical Storm Fay caused in 2008. The construction project will create approximately 100 jobs and boost the local economy while encouraging the expansion of our regional aviation industry."

The Economic Development Administration at the Department of Commerce will distribute the grant, which was awarded competitively.

"To learn more about grant related services or to request a letter of support, please contact my office at (772) 288-4668 or visit <http://Rooney.house.gov>," Rooney said.

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